

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

**Focus Occupation: Chefs and Head Cooks (35-1011)**

**Associated Occupation: Cooks, Restaurant (35-2014)**

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 79

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Food Production	2.1	10.7	11.4	0	Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Production and Processing	6.0	7.9	16.2	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 83

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Quality Control Analysis	5.9	7.4	7.0	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Mathematics	6.2	5.7	6.1	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Management of Material Resources	3.7	5.4	8.2	>>	Skill level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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## Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 89

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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Oral Expression	12.4	9.3	13.6	>>	Current ability level is likely more than sufficient
Problem Sensitivity	11.1	9.1	12.3	>>	Current ability level is likely more than sufficient
Manual Dexterity	6.5	9.0	8.5	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Visual Color Discrimination	6.4	8.8	7.7	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Trunk Strength	5.7	7.7	9.1	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Wrist-Finger Speed	3.2	5.9	4.5	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required

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## Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 100

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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity
Bake breads, rolls, or other baked goods	87
Cook in quantity	89
Cook meals	80
Decorate cakes	89
Determine food or beverage costs	92
Direct and coordinate activities of workers or staff	3
Direct and coordinate food or beverage preparation	82
Follow recipes	81
Identify cut or grade of meat	85
Investigate customer complaints	67
Knead, shape, cut, or roll food products by hand	84
Measure or weigh ingredients for food preparation	84
Operate baking equipment	85
Operate cooking equipment	87
Operate food decorating equipment	89
Operate food preparation equipment	81
Oversee work progress to verify safety or conformance to standards	49
Perform a variety of food preparation duties other than cooking	84
Plan menus	77
Price items on menu	95
Read work order, instructions, formulas, or processing charts	9
Requisition stock, materials, supplies or equipment	54
Test food to determine that it is cooked	89
Understand government health, hotel or food service regulations	68
Use knives	78

Use knowledge of food handling rules	71
Use specialized bakery equipment	92

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus  
Occupation to Associated  
Occupation: 87

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Business function specific software	1
Computers	1
Cooking and warming equipment	27
Cookware and kitchen tools	33
Data management and query software	1
Food preparation equipment	24
Industry specific software	1

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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